

			EXPLANATION OF PROFILES FOR UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURTS		
OVERALL CASELOAD STATISTICS*	Filings		TOTAL NUMBER OF DISTRICT COURT CASES THAT WERE . . . (Excludes all misdemeanor criminal cases)		Filed during the year, including transfers
	Terminations				Closed during the year
	Pending				Pending at the end of the year
	Percent Change in Total Filings - Current Year		Over Last Year	Percentage change in total filings for current year over previous year	
			Over Earlier Years		Percentage change in total filings for current year over prior two, three, four, and five years.
	Number of Judgeships		Authorized judgeships (does not include senior judges)		
Vacant Judgeship Months		Number of months during year that an authorized judgeship was not filled			
ACTIONS PER JUDGESHIP	FILINGS	Total	FIGURES IN THIS SECTION ARE OBTAINED BY DIVIDING THE OVERALL CASELOAD STATISTICS FOR THE COURT BY THE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED JUDGESHIPS (Excludes all misdemeanor criminal cases)		Total civil and criminal felony cases filed
		Civil			Includes all civil cases filed
		Criminal Felony			Includes all criminal felony cases filed, whether by indictment, information, or transfer
	Pending Cases				Total civil and felony cases pending at the end of the year
	Weighted Filings*				This figure is a mathematical adjustment of filings that gives heavier count to cases known to be of a more difficult and time-consuming nature
	Terminations				Includes all terminated cases (civil and criminal felony, tried and not tried) disposed of during the year
	Trials Completed				Trials completed by judges, including evidentiary trials, hearings on temporary restraining orders, and preliminary injunctions
	MEDIAN TIMES (MONTHS)	From Filing to Disposition			Criminal Felony
Civil*					
From Filing to Trial** (Civil Only)		For civil cases going to trial, this figure shows the time interval in months for the middle (median) case. Excludes trials conducted by magistrates. Time is computed from the date the case is filed to the date trial begins.			
OTHER	Number (and %) of Civil Cases Over 3 Years Old		Total number of civil cases pending three years or more as of the end of the year and the percentage these same cases represent of the pending civil caseload		
	Average Number of Felony Defendants Filed per Case		The average number of defendants in each felony case filed (excludes transfers)		
	Jurors	Average Present for Jury Selection	Average number of petit jurors reporting to court for jury selection		
		Percent Not Selected or Challenged	Percent of petit jurors neither selected nor challenged on jury selection days		

NATURE OF SUIT AND OFFENSE CATEGORIES

CIVIL	A - Social Security B - Recovery of Overpayments & Enforcement of Judgments C - Prisoner Petitions D - Forfeitures and Penalties and Tax Suits	E - Real Property F - Labor Suits G - Contracts H - Torts	I - Copyright, Patent, and Trademark J - Civil Rights K - Antitrust	L - All Other Civil Cases
CRIMINAL FELONY (Excludes transfers)	A - Immigration B - Embezzlement C - Weapons and Firearms D - Escape	E - Burglary and Larceny F - Drugs G - (Not in Use)* H - Forgery and Counterfeiting	I - Fraud J - Homicide and Assault K - Robbery	L - All Other Criminal Felony Cases

WHAT THE DISTRICT'S NUMERICAL STANDINGS MEAN

This shows where an individual district court stands in relation to other district courts in the circuit and in the nation. All "caseload" statistics are ranked in descending order (highest value/highest caseload receives rank of 1 - e.g., civil filings per judgeship) and all other statistics are ranked in ascending order (lowest value/fastest termination rate or smallest backlog is ranked first - e.g., median time). In some categories fewer than 94 courts are ranked because information was not available for all districts.

NUMBERS IN RIGHT MARGIN

*See "Explanation of Selected Terms."

**Prior to 1994, time was computed from the date the answer or response was filed to the date trial began. Therefore, data for 1994 and thereafter are not comparable to data for earlier years.